ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR AUTOMATED TRANSCODER SELECTION

A method and apparatus for automated transcoder selection in a data processing system for transcoding content using a set of transcoders. A request is received for the content from a client, wherein the request includes a set of characteristics. A transcoder is selected from the set of transcoders having a best match to the set of characteristics. The content is transcoded using the transcoder to form transcoded content.

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